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NEWS RELEASE:

National Guard unit helps construct Lennox picnic shelter

Staff Sgt. Tiphany L. Dvorak Det. 2, 155th Engineer Company, UPAR

LENNOX, S.D. - Soldier's from the South Dakota Army National Guard's Detachment 2, 155th Engineer Company (Vertical) of Platte, helps the city of Lennox build a picnic shelter for the city park June 4-5, 2011.

The city received a financial donation from the local Lions Club along with other donations to cover the cost of materials, while the National Guard provided the manpower.

"The city anticipates getting the opportunity to host the state amateur baseball tournament this summer," said Glen Nelson, city council member. "The picnic shelter will be a great addition to the public park for those types of events."

Not only will the project benefit the community, but it provided the Guardsmen training that relates to their mission.

The 155th is a vertical engineer company capable of providing engineering support in the construction of base camps and internment facilities, as well as constructing, repairing and maintaining other vertical infrastructures within a brigade combat team, division or corps.

The unit as a whole contains a variety of military occupations specialties that include carpentry, plumbing, electrical and masonry services.

"This is why we are in the National Guard, to provide communities the service while getting great training in the process," said 2nd Lt. Tricia Eining, Detachment 2 platoon leader, formerly of Iroquois, SD.

With more than 150 personnel assigned, the unit is split into four separate detachments with its Headquarters Company located in Rapid City, Detachment 1 in Winner, Detachment 2 in Platte and Detachment 3 in Wagner.



LENNOX, S.D. - Spc. Waylon Blasius, from Kimball, and Spc. Cory Vogt, formerly of Armour, with the South Dakota Army National Guard's Detachment 2, 155th Engineer Company of Platte, helps the city of Lennox build a picnic shelter for the city park June 4-5, 2011. (SDNG photo by Staff Sgt. Adam Sanderson)

LENNOX, S.D. - Sgt. Robert Larson, from Armour, with the South Dakota Army National Guard's Detachment 2, 155th Engineer Company of Platte, helps the city of Lennox build a picnic shelter for the city park June 4-5, 2011. (SDNG photo by Staff Sgt. Adam Sanderson)





(Left) LENNOX, S.D. - Spc. Weston Blasius, from Kimball, with the South Dakota Army National Guard's Detachment 2, 155th Engineer Company of Platte, helps the city of Lennox build a picnic shelter for the city park June 4-5, 2011. (SDNG photo by Staff Sgt. Adam Sanderson)

(Right) LENNOX, S.D. - Sgt. Jarrod Bultsma, of Platte, and Sgt. Justin Wright, from Armour, with the South Dakota Army National Guard's Detachment 2, 155th Engineer Company of Platte, helps the city of Lennox build a picnic shelter for the city park June 4-5, 2011. (SDNGphoto by Staff Sgt. Adam Sanderson)





LENNOX, S.D. - Spc. Rockford Vanzee, from Platte, with the South Dakota Army National Guard's Detachment 2, 155th Engineer Company of Platte, helps the city of Lennox build a picnic shelter for the city park June 4-5, 2011. (SDNG photo by Staff Sgt. Adam Sanderson)

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